Please rewrite the Claims 1 and 11 as follows.

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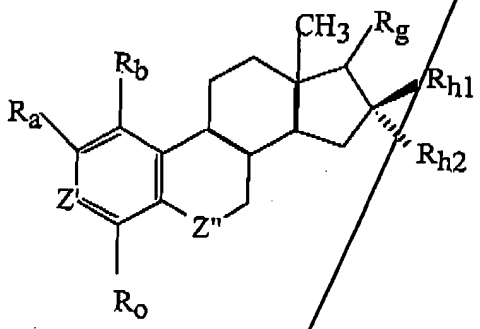
1. (Twice Amended) A compound of the general formula:



wherein:

a) R_b and R_o are independently -H, -Cl, -Br, -I, -F, -CN, lower alkyl, -OH, -CH_2-OH, -NH_2; or N(R_6)(R_7), wherein R_6 and R_7 are independently hydrogen or an alkyl or branched alkyl with up to 6 carbons;

b) R_a is -N_3, -C≡N, -C≡C-R, -CH=CH-R, -R-CH=CH_2, -C≡CH, -O-R, -R-R_1, -OC(O)CH_3, -C(O)H, -NH_2, -NMe2, -NHMe, or -O-R-R_1 where R is a straight or branched alkyl with up to 10 carbons or aralkyl, and R_1 is -OH, -NH_2, -Cl, -Br, -I, -F or CF_3;

c) Z' is >CH, >COH, or >C-R_2-OH, where R_2 is an alkyl or branched alkyl with up to 10 carbons or aralkyl;

d) >C-R_g is >C(H)-OH;

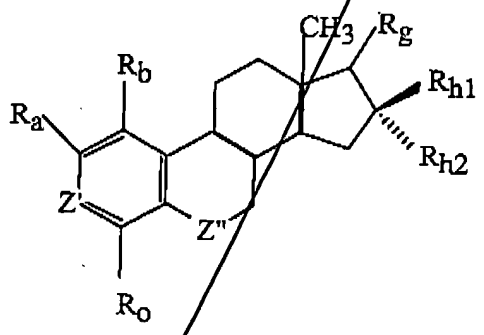
e) R_{h1} and R_{h2} are indcpendently H, or a straight or branched chain alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl with up to 6 carbons that is unsubstituted, or substituted with one or more groups

selected from a hetero functionality (O-Y, N-Y_2 or S-Y) where Y is independently selected from H, Me or an alkyl chain up to 6 carbons; a halo functionality (F, Cl, Br or I); an aromatic group optionally substituted with hetero, halo or alkyl; or R_{h1} and R_{h2} are independently an aromatic group optionally substituted with hetero, halo or alkyl, provided that both R_{h1} and R_{h2} are not H;

f) Z" is $>CH_2$, $>C=O$, $>C(H)\text{-}OH$, $>C=N\text{-}OR_5$, $>C(H)\text{-}C\equiv N$, or $>C(H)\text{-}NR_5R_5$, wherein each R_5 is independently hydrogen, an alkyl or branched alkyl with up to 10 carbons or aralkyl;

and wherein all monosubstituted substituents have either an α or β configuration.

11. (Amended) A compound of the general formula:



wherein:

R_a is $-N_3$, $-C\equiv N$, $-C\equiv C\text{-}R$, $-CH=CH\text{-}R$, $-R\text{-}CH=CH_2$, $-C\equiv CH$,

-O-R, -R-R_1, -OC(O)CH_3, -C(O)H, -NH_2, -NMe_2, -NHMe, or -O-R-R_1 where R is a straight or branched alkyl with up to 10 carbons or aralkyl, and R_1 is -OH, -NH_2, -Cl, -Br, -I, -F or CF_3; with the proviso that R_a is not OMe;

R_b and R_o are H,

Z' is >C-OH,

>C-R_g is >C(H)OH,

R_{h1} and R_{h2} are independently H, or a straight or branched chain alkyl, alkenyl or alkynyl with up to 6 carbons that is unsubstituted, or substituted with one or more groups selected from a hetero functionality (O-Y, N-Y_2 or S-Y) where Y is independently selected from H, Me or an alkyl chain up to 6 carbons; a halo functionality (F, Cl, Br or I); an aromatic group optionally substituted with hetero, halo or alkyl; or R_{h1} and R_{h2} are independently an aromatic group optionally substituted with hetero, halo or alkyl, provided that both R_{h1} and R_{h2} are not H; and

Z" is >CH_2,

and wherein all monosubstituted substituents have either an α or β configuration.

REMARKS

Applicants' representatives thank Examiner Qazi for the telephonic inquiry on September 23, 2002 in the above-referenced application, and have entered the above amendments in reply thereto.

Claims 1-9 and 11-30 are currently pending and are under examination in the present application. By this Amendment, Claims 1 and 11 are amended and Claims 23-30 are